

NOTICE OF A THIRD CITIZENS' INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR
PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO U.S. 17 BUSINESS/N.C. 37 AND
REPLACEMENT OF BRIDGE NO. 8 OVER THE
PERQUIMANS RIVER

TIP Project No. R-4467

Perquimans County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold a public meeting called a citizens' informational workshop on Monday, August 13, 2012, from 5-7 p.m. The workshop will be held at the Perquimans County Recreation Department meeting room, located at 310 Granby Street in Hertford.

A presentation will begin at 5:30 p.m. Citizens are invited to drop in before or after the presentation to speak with the project team. NCDOT representatives will be available in an informal, open house-style setting to answer questions and gather public input regarding the proposed project. The opportunity to submit written comments or questions will be provided and is encouraged. Citizens may attend at any time during the meeting.

NCDOT proposes to make improvements to U.S. 17 Business/N.C. 37 and to replace Bridge No. 8 (a swing-span bridge) over the Perquimans River. A new bridge will be built to replace the existing roadway (causeway) between the swing-span bridge and the U.S. 17 Business/N.C. 37 split.

The causeway is in poor condition due to the uneven settlement of the roadway. The project is about 0.4 miles in length. It is currently scheduled for construction in 2017, with right-of-way acquisition scheduled to begin in 2015.

Several alternative designs were presented at two previous workshops. The current designs, as well as two new alternatives, will be presented. Artist renderings of the alternatives also will be shown. NCDOT proposes to narrow down the alternatives following this workshop.

For more information, contact Joseph Miller from the NCDOT Project Development and Environmental Analysis Unit at (919) 707-6031, or via email at josephmiller@ncdot.gov. You can also contact NCDOT consultant Teresa Gresham of Kimley-Horn of Cary at (919) 677-2194 or via email at teresa.gresham@kimley-horn.com.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who want to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Mr. Miller as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.

For persons who speak Spanish and do not speak English, or have a limited ability to read, speak or understand English, interpretive services will be available at the meeting upon request. For more information, please call 1-800-481-6494 prior to the meeting.